

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

DATE: February 12, 2003

GENERAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND MISCELLANEOUS

1-90. Regional Geographic Initiatives Assistance Funding for
Regional Initiatives

1. PURPOSE AND LEGAL AUTHORITY.

A. Purpose. To redelegate the authority contained in Delegation 1-90 issued by EPA Headquarters on May 17, 2001.

B. Authority. To approve regional geographic initiatives assistance agreements (i.e., grants and cooperative agreements) for development, monitoring, public education, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys, and studies related to the Regional Geographic Initiatives Program, to the extent authorized, under the following statutes: Clean Water Act, Section 104; Safe Drinking Water Act, Section 1442; Solid Waste Disposal Act, Section 8001; Clean Air Act, Section 103; Toxic Substances Control Act, Section 10; Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, Section 20; Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, Sections 104 and 311; Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act, Section 203; Pollution Prevention Act, Section 6605; and National Environmental Education Act, Section 6.

2. TO WHOM DELEGATED. The Deputy Regional Administrator and the Directors, Office of Administration and Resource Management (OARM); Office of Ecosystem Protection (OEP); Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES); Office of Environmental Measurement and Evaluation (OEME); and Office of Site Remediation and Restoration (OSRR), who may exercise this authority independently.

3. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY. This authority may not be redelegated.

4. LIMITATIONS.

A. This delegation is limited to the Regional Geographic Initiatives assistance agreements.

B. With respect to CERCLA Section 104 assistance, this authority may be exercised only for funding at sites that are contained within the funding levels approved by the Assistance Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

A. 40 CFR Chapter 1, Subchapter B, "Grants and Other Federal Assistance".

B. EPA Order 5700.1, Policy for Distinguishing Between Assistance and Acquisition.

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ADDITIONAL REFERENCES (CONT'D).

- C. EPA Delegation 1-14, Assistance Agreements.
 - D. Region I Delegation 1-14, Assistance Agreements.
6. SUPERSESSSION. None.

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